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1. A governmental decree of 5 December 1951 urged all parts of the nationalized economy to complete contracts within the DDR economic plan on everything which incurred obligations for delivery and procurement.
2. A second order of the same date established a State Contract Court. The assignment of this body is to settle any disputes which result from the conclusion of contracts.
3. The Court is made up of a chairman, deputy chairman, and eight members. The members are chairmen of the court committees (Gerichtskommissionen). Each of the eight committees has two men in attendance (Beisitzer) who, as a rule, represent the Ministries which are responsible for the two disputants.
4. The court is made up of the following members:

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f) (Fnu) Eschring (SED); in his late 50's; [REDACTED]

g) Kurt Kann (SED); in his mid-30's; [REDACTED]

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h) Dr. (fnu) Freytag (SED); nothing further known.

The remaining two members have not yet been appointed by the Minister President.

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